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In re Application of: Andreas Ritter

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For: COMBINED OPERATING MODES AND FRAME TYPES IN TANDEM COLD ROLLING MILLS

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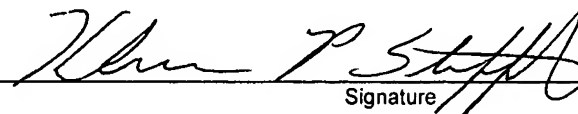
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